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Sinking Fund Account—£8,513

25,233,312

Revenue Fire Branch—£2,587,158

Life and Annuity—£1,973,269

Branches—£92,692

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## A STRICKEN HOST.

INCIDENTS OF THE GERMAN  
RETREAT.

Pomp and Anguish of War.

A correspondent in France writes to

"The Times" from Metz on

September 15th:—

There is a hurricane blowing. The

rain descends in torrents—rain that

lashes the roadways, eating into them

and digging deep cuts. Over the scum-  
bled heavy clouds sweep, the mist

trailing on the tree tops. The roadside

brakes are swollen to little torrents, the

rivers have become cataclysms; and al-  
though the earth has been baked by the

recent days of tropical heat, it is now

all sodden. The great rivers rush turbid

and angry between their banks.

This is the France of the great re-  
treat. A France as different from thesmiling land of last week as it is pos-  
sible to imagine. Then all was easy and

alluring. The "conquering" forces of

the German Emperor advanced over

roads hard and smooth for the wheels of

their transport; the great siege guns with

their vast towers rolled swiftly among

pleasant fields, the hoofs of the chargers

rang upon firm highways.

IN THE RETREAT.

Can you picture those chariots tonight

as I am able to picture them—as the

picture has been presented to me by

those who have seen it? The great

wheels roll no longer upon any ways.

The roads are turned to mudways.

The wheels sink in deep ruts that tax

all the strength of those over-weary

creeds. The drivers about and ply the

lash unmercifully. The great beasts

strain and struggle in heroic effort. But

the wheels sink deeper. The huge guns

lurch and swing. A horseman dashes

up. "Haste, haste! they are coming,"

these terrible Englishmen! Again the

drum of the wet-rotten whips. Again

that terrible straining on the traces. It

is vain; the wheels are fast. Men cut

the traces. The liberated horses gallop

off.

The retreat drives slowly away through

the dusk—an endless stream, worn and

weary, furnished, without ammunition;

and far off the sound of the cannon

tells of the battle that goes on without

ceasing wherever another stand may be

adventured—and so, another gun for the

allies, another grain of sand run out in

the hour-glass of fate.

A HOST IN RETREAT.

Such is the drama on one of the in-  
numerable roads leading north-east fromthe region of the Meuse. Follow back-  
wards along the brown surface, between

the hedges, and you meet a troop of

English cavalry. They come up with a

troop of the enemy—a cavalry unit,

fleeing through the darkness. There is a

feeble, waning moon somewhere over-  
head above the cloud-rack—the light isjust enough to make it possible to dis-  
tinguish shapes. A moment and it is

over. The retreat drags onward into the

blot from his memory. I have seen,

too, heroism—the most exalted and

splendid—women whose work of pity and

love no praise can ever recompense. I

have travelled through dark forests and

witnessed a hundred lonely bivouacs—a

farm cart with a couple of goats tethered

to the wheels, the team of oxen browsing

near by, the peasant and his wife and

children gathered about the little fire.

I have seen women, furnished and terri-  
fied, fleeing with their children across

long stretches of country every mile of

which held an invisible terror. And

when I view this agony of the flying

German Army I recall these other sights,

pitting the one against the other.

I have just spoken of a soldier who

has returned wounded from the pursuit

that will go down with the terrible re-  
treat from Moscow as one of the crown-  
ing catastrophes of the world. "They

fled," he declared, "as animals flee who

are cornered and know it. Sometimes

it became incredible. Imagine a road-  
way littered with guns, with knapsacks,

with cartridge belts, with Maxim, with

heavy cannon even! There were miles

and miles of it. I picked up a helmet

here, another there—the helmets of the

proudest of German warriors bearing the

vaunted inscription "With God for

King and Fatherland." I saw arms and

accoutrements of every sort and kind.

Germany has left her very lifeblood on

these roads. And the dead. Those

piles of horses, those stacks of meat!

I have seen it again and again—men shot

so close to one another that they re-  
mained standing after death. At night

the sight is terrible and horrible

beyond word.

THE DEAD AND WOUNDED.

Horrible indeed! For, tremendous as

the efforts have been to dispose of all

these dead bodies, it has not yet been

possible to accomplish the task com-  
pletely. One cannot bury whole armies

in a day. And over the fields of the

dead carriages are gathered, the

grey-throated crows of evil omen, and a

host of lesser marauders. Robbers too

have descended on these fields. I have

heard of terrible rummaging amongst the

dead.

In the village dead and wounded—an

endless multitude! They lie where they

fell. The doctors and nurses are busy

all the time bringing back some measure

of hope to these unfortunates of three

nations. There is no distinction here

between German, Frenchman, or Briton.

On trunks of straw, on hay, hastily

gathered from the fields, on the grass men

have been laid out to await the am-  
bulances which move up from hundred

points with all possible speed. They

lift them tenderly, these broken warriors,

but never so tenderly that the stab of

shattered nerves does not exact its toll

of anguish. There is no sign given. I

have seen thousands of these wounded,

but I have heard not one word of com-  
plaint, not a cry of pain. The Frenchin suffering are Stoics; they keep a terri-  
ble silence, which not all the pains of

death can violate. Our own men you

know. To the enemy also this tribute:

he suffers and dies gallantly.

It is terrible to see a regiment of re-  
servists pass through such scenes asthese I have described. They are fa-  
thers of families, these men. Ask them,

and they will take from the inner pockets

of their tunics little parcels folded in

oilskin—the photographs of their child-  
ren. I have seen hundreds of these

pictures; and I have seen tears in the

eyes of the good fellows who showed

them to me as we stood beside the horror

of other men's broken and mangled

bodies.

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## FRANCE CHIVALRY.

"They are our enemies," a fine,  
noble-hearted Frenchman said to me—  
a man with a face that reminded me of  
the portraits of the young Napoleon—  
"but they are also men. And we there  
are women who wait for them, and child-  
ren who prattle of their home-coming."How warm-hearted and loyal those  
French soldiers are! How sympathetic  
too, their kindred! Perhaps you have  
heard of the French general who em-  
braced on the field of battle the soldier  
who took a flag from the enemy? And  
of the young lieutenant who carried a  
wounded German in on his back under  
a hot fire? From the scorching gun-  
fire of war France is coming forth as  
gold refined.The retreat rolls back. Trainsload  
after trainload of British and French ac-  
cepted towards the weak points of the  
retreating host. This is the advantage  
of the battle-ground which the Allies  
have chosen. The net-work of railways  
is like the network of a spider's web.  
All the rays centre upon Paris. It is  
possible to thrust troops upon the foe  
at any point with almost incredible  
speed. And food and munitions are with-  
in arm's reach. The Germans, on the  
other hand, are far separated from their  
base. On Saturday I saw trainloads of  
French and British hurrying to the pur-  
suit. Most significant of all these were  
great pontoons and guns—immense  
guns. As this moment, doubt it not, the  
army of the Allies marches safely across  
those turgid rivers under cover of these  
guns, to hold the enemy in check as he  
too goes down to his crossings in the  
long valleys to encounter which interest  
his line of retreat.

## FLOWER-DECKED TRAINS.

The sight of these trains going by is  
unforgettable. The French trains are all  
bedecked with flowers. Vases, great  
rich coronets of roses and chrysanthem-  
ums, hang from the handles of the  
carriage doors. Bouquets are suspended  
from the sides of the engine; whole  
bushes have been cut down to ornament  
the vehicles of war. The train stops a  
moment at the station; a cheer—oh, but  
it is not like our British cheer—goes up.  
The good "cure"—I wish you might  
see these splendid French priest—hurries  
forward with wine and chocolate,  
and then "Au revoir!" and away.

## A BRITISH CHEER.

Listen! A deeper sound. How grand  
is its swing and verve—thrilling you to  
the very marrow. "Hurrah—h-h-h!" A  
high train swings across the distance,  
and there are the khaki-clad British  
troops at eyegore and window. Do  
you know how good that sight is? But  
you have not lived here through the dark  
days that are past, you have not tasted  
the full bitterness of the suspense hours  
of the week of Mons and Charleroi!  
"Hurrah—h-h-h!" The jolly faces, the  
grin, "boy-does" of England. . . .  
And the train draws out across the old,  
old plains of France. . . . You can  
just catch the life of it, it's a long,  
long way to Tipperary. They too go to  
the fierce chase across the river.

## AMERICAN SAILORS' CHIEFTAIN.

And that was a great moment. It  
was like another which I experienced  
one evening at Havre and which so long  
as I live I shall cherish. There was, I  
remember, a great sunset that night—











## BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuters Service to the China Mail.)

## THE PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

## THE SIEGE OF TSINGTAU.

## THE "KAISERIN ELISABETH" FOUNDERS.

## FLOATING DOCK SUNK.

## GERMANS RETREATING IN BELGIUM.

## THE BOMBARDMENT OF TSINGTAU.

Mr. Inui, Consul-General for Japan, courteously sends us the following communication received by him this morning from the Japanese Naval Department:—

On November 1 a part of the Second Squadron, together with the British ships, bombarded all day long the Hai Chuan Cape, Chan Shan and the Hai Forts. The effect was satisfactory.

It seems that the enemy's cruiser "Kaiserin Elisabeth" foundered after an explosion on board while in Kiaochow Bay at 3 a.m. on the 2nd inst.

On the 3rd inst., the Japanese floating dock in the "Great Port" inclined and sank.

## ALLIES STILL ADVANCING.

LONDON, Nov. 4, 3.15 a.m.

A Paris communiqué issued at 11 o'clock last evening states:—The only information received this evening concerns the region north-east of Vailly where we counter-attacked and re-captured a farm at Metz and in the region of Four de Paris and at St. Hubert in Argonne where a German attack was repulsed and where we also gained ground.

## VIOLENT ATTACKS BY THE ENEMY.

LONDON, Nov. 4, 1.15 p.m.

The Press Bureau announces that there were violent attacks on Oct. 30 against our First Corps and cavalry, the enemy having been largely reinforced. We inflicted the heaviest loss.

The commander of the corps is confident that they will maintain their ground.

The cavalry have fought, whether mounted or in the trenches, to the admiration of the whole Army.

The Indian troops have been brought into the fighting line.

## THE STRUGGLE IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM.

LONDON, Nov. 3, 6.15 p.m.

Today's communiqué says:—

The enemy appears to have completely abandoned the left bank of the Yser below Dixmude. The Allies re-occupied the passages of the Yser without great difficulty, and south of Dixmude, towards Ghelvelst, our advance was particularly noticeable.

We have everywhere maintained our front in the region north of Lys, despite the enemy's attacks.

Fresh German attacks against the suburbs of Arras, Libons, and Quesnoy all failed.

We further progressed eastward of the Forest of Aigle.

Our troops, who had been holding the slopes eastward of Vailly, were drawn back to the valley, but we maintained our position above Bourg-et-Comin on the right bank of the river.

There has been a violent cannonade between Rheims and the Meuse and also on the heights of the Meuse.

Fresh efforts by the enemy in Argonne have been checked.

We continue to progress north-west of Pont-a-Mousson.

There have been some small actions on the Right Wing, which were favourable to our Armies, especially along the Selle.

## GERMANS RETREATING IN BELGIUM.

LONDON, Nov. 4, 12.20 a.m.

A dispatch from the German Headquarters admits that the inundations south of Nieuport preclude all operations in that direction. It says the whole country is destroyed and will not recover for the long time.

## ENEMY MOVING TOWARDS BRUSSELS.

LONDON, Nov. 4.

The Daily Mail correspondent in the North of France reports that a Belgian aerial reconnaissance observed a distinct movement of retreat towards Brussels.

It is stated at Rotterdam that the German Headquarters have been removed from Thiel to Ghent.

A telegram from Havre says a Belgian communiqué issued at 9 p.m. states: The enemy is retreating East of the Yser between Nieuport and Dixmude. We made prisoners.

## TURKISH MINISTER RESIGNS.

LONDON, Nov. 4, 1.15 p.m.

Reuters' Amsterdam correspondent announces that Davud Bey, the Turkish Minister of Finance, has tendered his resignation.

## RUSSIAN BATTLESHIP SUNK.

LONDON, Nov. 4, 1.15 p.m.

A telegram from Sofia states that the Turks have sunk the Russian battleship Sinop.

## BRITISH OFFICERS HONOURED BY FRANCE.

LONDON, Nov. 4, 12.20 a.m.

President Poincaré has conferred the Legion of Honour on 119 British officers for bravery in action between the 21st and 30th August.

## GERMAN NAVAL SQUADRON VENTURES OUT.

Enemy Retreats Hurriedly To Avoid Action.

LONDON, Nov. 4, 12.20 a.m.

The Official Press Bureau announces that submarine D5 was sunk in a skirmish with a German squadron which was retreating in the North Sea.

The presence of an enemy squadron having been reported by the gunboat Halden, various naval movements took place. The enemy's squadron retreated rapidly and avoided action.

The rear-most cruiser dropped mines, one of which struck the submarine. Two officers and two men of her crew were saved.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

## NORTH SEA AS A MILITARY AREA.

LONDON, Nov. 2.

The Admiralty announces that in consequence of the indiscriminate laying of mines on the trade routes under neutral flags the whole of the North Sea must be considered a military area, and all shipping will henceforth pass between a line drawn from the Hebrides through the Faroes to Iceland at their own peril, unless they following Admiralty instructions.

## THE STRUGGLE IN THE EASTERN THEATRE.

Russians Advancing Everywhere.

LONDON, Nov. 4, 5.50 p.m.

An official statement from Petrograd says:—The Germans on the East Prussian front are now everywhere acting on the defensive. The Russians advanced in some districts, captured two guns and made some prisoners.

The Russians are advancing beyond the Vistula north-west of Piltza without any noteworthy engagements. They have occupied Schadek, Lask and Rosprza. The enemy on the Radom-Kielce front is retreating. The Austrians south-east of Kielce attempted an obstinate resistance but were defeated with loss of three guns, five mitrailleurs, and 1,500 prisoners.

The Russians continue to advance in the lower San region, and a desperate battle continues in the Nizky region.

## TSAR GOES TO THE FRONT.

LONDON, Nov. 4.

According to a telegram from Petrograd, the Tsar has left for the front.

## THE AGA KHAN DENOUNCES TURKEY.

LONDON, Nov. 3, 8.40 p.m.

A message by the Aga Khan, denouncing Turkey for making "an unprovoked war at the bidding of Germany," which is to be sent to the Moslems in India and the Dominion, was published to-night.

## BRITISH CONSUL AND MERCHANTS DETAINED BY TURKS.

LONDON, Nov. 3, 6.15 p.m.

The Official Press Bureau says that the British Consul at Bursa (in Asiatic Turkey) and British merchants have been detained by the Turks.

## THE DARDANELLES BOMBARDED.

Anglo-French Squadron Engaged.

LONDON, Nov. 4, 2.25 p.m.

It is officially announced that the Anglo-French Squadron bombarded the Dardanelles at long range, at daylight on Tuesday. The forts replied. No ships were hit. A large explosion, with volumes of smoke, occurred at Helles Fort.

## (Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

## MILITARY GRADUATES.

PEKING, Nov. 4.

The military graduates at Peking, on completing their course, have each been presented with a sword by President Yuan.

## A RESIGNATION DECLINED.

Chu Shi Chang, the Premier, refuses to accept the resignation of Sun Pa Chai, the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

## WAR NEWS.

Lord Kitchener's car—a big green Rolls-Royce—carries a Metropolitan Police car of the kind which the French call a cap. It is a sufficiently conspicuous object, shieldlike in form, and is attached to the outside of the dashboard.

The value of the sea trade of Burma for September is hardly more than half that of the same month last year, namely, 24 lakhs against 47, due to the almost entire stoppage of shipping owing to the operations of the Enemy.

A London telegram of the 15th ultimo says:—There are strange scenes at the Bank of England which daily is crowded by refugees changing money. A coffee bar has been installed inside.

An eye-witness from Belgrade says that half the city has been destroyed, after eleven weeks bombardment, but that it is still resisting bravely.

The "official" war news circulated by the German Government through its wireless system announced that Vedrines had been tried for high treason and shot.

The Red Cross flag now flies over Charing Cross Hospital. A large banner has been suspended across the street outside the hospital with the words, "Quiet for the Wounded."

One of the few commodities of which there is any scarcity is salt—which is a pity, as the stories of German victories require a good deal.

A carrier pigeon was shot over the barracks at Dorchester, where some German prisoners are confined. Under its wing a German letter was found.

Capt. C. Gross-Lohmann, Mr. H. Schungel, Mr. O. Rexhausen, Mr. A. Gerber, and Mr. H. Eschenbrenner, who were among the Germans who left Bangkok in an attempt to reach Tsingtau, have returned to Siam from Swatow.

## KITCHENER STORIES.

Of Lord Kitchener tales are endless. One is that Lord "K" sent to the General Post Office for thirty telegraph operators to be detailed for employment at the War Office. Some officials replied that owing to the gaps left by territorial mobilization this was impossible. The answer came back, "If they are not sent in two hours I shall come and fetch them." They were sent once despatched.

A second is that Lord "K" on receiving the report of eight thousand men enlisting in the previous twenty-four hours, observed: "Now, but sure; still they can be so slow coming in that they will be in efficient whilst they gain nothing by hesitation."

On being told his recruiting was in competition with the labour market, Lord "K" retorted: "Let the need of the Empire be balanced with the whirl of the labour market. The beyond of the German might pretty nearly indicate the way to slavery."

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## ARTICLES THAT SHOULD BE SENT TO THE FRONT.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—I have received an appeal from Major Lyall Grant in favour of a fund which has been opened by Mrs. G. A. Malcolm, wife of the commanding officer of the London Scottish now at the front. In the course of his letter, Major Grant remarks:—"To those who prefer to give personal work, it may be said that at present the most necessary articles are Balaklava Helmets, Woollen Mittens or Wristlets and Khaki coloured Socks. Socks, especially the last named."

The authorities refuse to forward shirtwaist socks, of which an ample supply exists in Government Stores; these articles can only be sent to individual members of Battalion by parcel post.

Yours faithfully,

W. L. CARTER.

Hongkong, Nov. 5.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

## MUSKETRY.

Any trained men of the Corps who have not yet completed Pt. 1 of the Musketry Course will parade at the 600 yards firing point King's Park Range on Saturday, 7th inst., at 2.30 p.m., or Sunday, 8th inst., at 9 a.m., to complete the course. O.C. Scouts Co. will detail an officer to attend on Saturday and Capt. Armstrong will attend on Sunday.

## PARADES.

Parades for to-morrow, Friday, 6th inst.—

6.15 a.m.—Civil Service Co. and Right Section M.G. Co. under Capt. Churchill. Left Section M.G. Co. Dayonet Exercise, etc., under S.M. Colley, D.C.L.I.

5.15 p.m.—One Section Scouts Co. Machine Gun Instruction under Capt. Stewart. Remainder Groups 1 and 2 under Company Officers.

## DETAILS.

On duty, Group 2.

Officers on duty, Capt. Armstrong, Capt. Churchill and Lieut. Lindsell.

Orderly Officer, Lieut. Lindsell.

To furnish Guard to-night, Civil Service Company; to-morrow, Right Section M.G. Co.

Orderly Sergeant to-night, Serg. Barlow; to-morrow, Serg. Schneppel.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

## Stonecutters' Camp.

## ORDERS BY MAJOR WAREMAN, O.C.V.R.

Orderly Officer to-morrow, 2nd Lieut. Blaxton.

Orderly Sergeant to-morrow, Serg. Blaxton.

The standard test will be fired by Sections of Nos. 1, 3, and 3 Companies—non in Musketry groups. The various Sections will compete against each other. The competitors will be for the best shooting section, and also for the best individual shot in the Reserves.

The Orderly Sergeant will be responsible for a sufficient supply of scoring sheets and pencils to be brought on the Range as each parade.

The telephone in the Guard Room is on no account to be used for Private Messages.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## THE BUDGET.

At a meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon the principal business was the discussion on the second reading of the Budget. His Excellency the Governor, Sir H. F. May, K.C.M.G., presided, and there were also present:—

H. E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major-General F. H. Kitch, C.B.

Hon. Colonial Secretary, Mr. CLARKE.

Hon. Attorney-General, Mr. J. H. KEMP.

Hon. Colonial Treasurer, Mr. E. D. C. WOTTE.

Hon. Director of Public Works, Mr. A. F. CHAMBERLAIN.

Hon. Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Mr. E. R. HALLIDAY.

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Hon. Mr. H. K. FORTUNE, K.C.

Hon. Mr. E. H. HARRIS, C.M.G.

Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak.

Mr. M. J. BAKER, Clerk of Council.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table an abstract showing differences between the estimates and expenditure for 1914 and 1915. The statement showed a net increase of \$1,890,913 over estimates.

## THE BUDGET BILL.

The Colonial Secretary moved the second reading of the Bill entitled an ordinance to apply a sum of not exceeding \$1,515,692 to the public service of the year 1915.

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer seconded.

The Hon. Mr. Hawitt said he had been asked on behalf of the unofficial members to speak first in reply to the Budget statement put before the council a fortnight ago. He expressed regret at the small representation of the unofficial members—one of whom had been ill for good many months and the other had been called away on business. He thought those members would agree with him in what he was about to express. Perhaps his Excellency would like him to add a few words to his reply to His Excellency's address which was printed and laid on the table. He had the honour to reply to the Governor's Budget speech and he might say it was far more illuminating to him to have a clear, concise statement with regard to the Budget than to have a printed paper laid or read before them. He trusted—his Excellency had made a half promise that he would—that such a speech would be made because in listening to such a speech was to him far more important from an educational point of view than when he had to reply from paper. So far as next year's Budget was concerned he believed that it might be regarded as satisfactory but on further consideration of that opinion it could not be regarded as wholly satisfactory. They found that the estimated revenue of 1914 was \$11 million dollars and the revised estimated revenue for this year was \$11,064,000. The estimate for 1915 was \$11,200,000 of which more than half was represented to be a revenue from opium.

The hon. member went on to say that large stocks of opium had accumulated during the disturbances in China and it would take two and a half years to work off these stocks. That department was an important source of expenditure. As things were going now the valuation of property would show a decrease and consequently a loss to the Government revenue. Another source of revenue was liquor licenses which included the liquor tax—a new revenue. The Government the other day repudiated the responsibility and was promptly followed by the Unofficial members, for this very unpopular tax. Licenses had been very largely increased and therefore the expenditure of taxation here was limited. He saw no new source of revenue except by increasing existing taxation and that would have to be done in a careful manner, otherwise it might have a very serious effect on the property of the Colony.

The expenditure for 1913 was estimated at \$8,558,012. That for 1915 was estimated at \$12,486,771, so that roughly in two years there was an increase of about 50 per cent. in the expenditure of the Colony. In addition to that to balance the 1915 account they had to draw on the very large reserve for nearly \$1,100,000. The estimated revenue for next year was the largest in the history of the Colony. He remembered 25 years ago when it was barely \$4,000,000. That gave an idea of the progress of the Colony but it is the same time it showed the very great danger they were faced with of having in a few years a serious reverse in income.

Criticising the Government's proposal to take over the private moorings in the harbour the Hon. Member said the Chamber of Commerce, the shipping offices and the unofficial members opposed the scheme, which had been before the Council for the past twelve years. In view of the extremely uncertain financial condition of the Colony's immediate future he considered it would be extremely unwise and impracticable to proceed with a scheme which had been condemned by those most intimately concerned. He proposed to move an amendment on this vote. If the ships Captain tried to Harbour Master's signals a great deal of confusion would ensue, and possibly collisions. He for one absolutely refused to employ pilots to take ships to buoy. As to the loss on subsidiary coin, the Hon. Member said they supported the Government's present policy and added that the Colony was suffering from the short-sighted policy of His Excellency's predecessors, who foolishly did not make a sinking fund. About \$4,000,000 of this coin was imported in meet the needs of only about \$1 million of dollars. Of this amount he believed only one third had been absorbed. He was asking the Colonial Treasurer what amount had been withdrawn from circulation and what further loss was likely to be entailed. The Hon. Member criticised the method of keeping the Colony's accounts, expressing the view that they should be in such a form that the man in the street could understand them at a glance. The heavy expenditure they could do nothing else but approve under present conditions. With regard to the medical vote he was glad to note that the Governor had redeemed his promise to increase the nursing staff of the Government hospitals and said that if the increase proved insufficient he and his colleagues would willingly support an increase.

The hon. member went on to deal with the volunteer question. The Hongkong corps contained 468 men commissioned officers and men the Reserves numbered 320 making a total of 810. The Reserves had the more men over 33 years. He happened to be interested in the Hongkong volunteers at the time of the Boer business in 1907. They had a community with the other similar to the Hongkong community but they were able to raise 1,200. The Reserves did not include men as at present in the Hongkong Reserves and the only concern he could come to was that in Hongkong they had not the number of volunteers that they ought to have had.

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Tai Ma Ti	8.59	—	9.50	11.36	2.09	—	5.22 7.37
Sha Tin	9.04	—	10.02	11.43	2.20	—	—
Tai Po	9.09	—	10.12	11.50	2.35	—	5.46 8.01
Tai Po Market	9.27	—	10.27	12.08	2.37	—	5.50
Fan Ling	9.58	—	1.07	12.10	2.46	—	5.53 8.13
Shing Mun	9.29	—	10.40	12.22	2.50	—	6.01 8.16
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